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Following for your use in future conversations with Berlin text
statements made by Secretary and Department spokesman relating Mansfield
proposal.

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1. When queried concerning Mansfield speech by ~~the~~ newsmen following Senate Appropriations Committee hearing June 16 Secretary stated QUOTE the attitude (i.e., on Berlin) of the President and our allies in NATO has been expressed on many occasions and the expressed position stands UNQUOTE. The Secretary added that Mansfield speech was speech of QUOTE individual Senator UNQUOTE.
2. In response to question concerning London Daily Telegraph story of June 16 to effect Western experts in Washington are working on drastically new approach to solution Berlin problem Secretary replied that suggestions that basic revision our oft-expressed attitude on ~~was~~ ^{was} underway Berlin question ~~were~~ QUOTE just not accurate UNQUOTE.
3. When asked at noon briefing June 16 whether Mansfield views corresponded with those of Administration Department spokesman

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answered QUOTE I think Senator Mansfield himself answered this question when he said he was making his suggestions INNERQUOTE as one Senator from the state of Montana, and I make them on my own responsibility END INNERQUOTE. I think this frank statement by the Senator speaks for itself. The views of the Administration are well known. The U.S. position on Berlin remains unchanged UNQUOTE.

4. When asked comment on Daily Telegraph story spokesman stated QUOTE I can tell you that this story is completely without foundation UNQUOTE.

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